मतदाताओं का प्रतिशत

470. **श्री गोविन्दराव आदिक :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में आज भी चुनावों के दौरान मतदान करने वालों का प्रतिशत केवल पचास प्रतिशत के करीब होता है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) चुनावों में मतदान का प्रतिशत बढ़ाने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाए जाने का विचार है ?

विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) (क) मतदान का प्रतिशत प्रत्येक निर्वाचनों में भिन्न होता है। तथापि, यह सच है कि काफी संख्या में निर्वाचक अपने मताधिकार का प्रयोग नहीं करते हैं।

(ख) सरकार द्वारा अभी तक मतदान के कम प्रतिशत के कारणों का पता लगाने के लिए कोई अध्ययन नहीं कराया गया है।

(ग) निर्वाचन आयोग, एक राष्ट्रीय मतदाता जागरूकता अभियान चला रहा है जिसका एक उद्देश्य मताधिकार के अधिकार के प्रति जागरूकता में वृद्धि करना है।

Shareholders of the existing companies

471. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Company Affairs have decided to ask for the list of top 500 shareholders of the existing companies and not of all the shareholders;

(b) if so, the rationale behind the same; and

(c) the implications of top shareholedrs in terms of shares held and the monetary value thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) The Department is considering a proposal that the companies having more than 500 members/debenture-holders may provide particulars of only top 500 members/debenture-holders so that such companies need not submit voluminous details about all the shareholders/debenture-holders in the annual reurn filed with Registrar of Companies. This will, however, require amendment of the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 1956.

Cases pending with DGI&R and the MRTP Commission

472. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINSTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending for investigation and finalisation with the Director General of Investigation and Registration and the MRTP Commission;

(b) since when these applications are pending;

(c) the reasons for delay in these investigations and finalisation; and

(d) the steps taken to expedite the investigation and finalisation of the cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE COMPANY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) A Statement showing the number of cases pending investigation and finalisation as on 20-7-1994 is enclosed. (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The preliminary investigations are at different stages of progress in the Office of the DG(I&R). Finalisation of these investigations are pending because in some of the cases, complete information is yet to be received and in few others, additional information has been sought from the parties. There are also a few cases where the preliminary investigations are under finalisation for submitting to the MRTP Commission.